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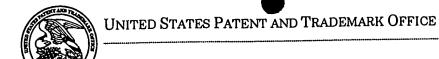
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## Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment (37 CFR 1.121)

37 CFR be comp docume amendn	1.121, as diant, con nt must nent doc	is considered non-compliant because it has failed to meet the requirements of amended on June 30, 2003 (see 68 Fed. Reg. 38611, Jun. 30, 2003). In order for the amendment document to rection of the following item(s) is required. Only the corrected section of the non-compliant amendment be resubmitted (in its entirety), e.g., the entire "Amendments to the claims" section of applicant's ument must be re-submitted. 37 CFR 1.121(h).	
THE FO	LLOWII 1. Amer	NG CHECKED (X) ITEM(S) CAUSE THE AMENDMENT DOCUMENT TO BE NON-COMPLIANT:  adments to the specification:  A. Amended paragraph(s) do not include markings.  B. New paragraph(s) should not be underlined.  C. Other	
	2. Abstr	A. Not presented on a separate sheet. 37 CFR 1.72.  B. Other	
	3. Amendments to the drawings:		
		A. A complete listing of <u>all</u> of the claims is not present.  B. The listing of claims does not include the text of all claims (including withdrawn claims)  C. Each claim has not been provided with the proper status identifier, and as such, the individual status of each claim cannot be identified.  D. The claims of this amendment paper have not been presented in ascending numerical order.  E. Other:	
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